

INTERIM STUDY PROPOSAL 2019-188

REQUESTING THAT THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE,  
AND LABOR STUDY THE BEST PRACTICES AND POLICIES ON MINOR COSMETIC  
PROCEDURES, INCLUDING SCOPE OF PRACTICE OF HEALTHCARE  
PROFESSIONALS INVOLVED IN MINOR COSMETIC PROCEDURES.

WHEREAS, industry innovations and consumer choice have greatly  
increased the demand for minor cosmetic procedures; and

WHEREAS, current state law does not adequately address specific  
guidelines involving minor cosmetic procedures, which creates uncertainty for  
consumers and providers of minor cosmetic procedures; and

WHEREAS, the Arkansas State Medical Board and the Arkansas State Board  
of Nursing have stated that more clarity is needed concerning the laws  
applicable to minor cosmetic procedures in order to allow full compliance  
with the rules of the Arkansas State Medical Board and the Arkansas State  
Board of Nursing; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly is the most appropriate venue to debate  
issues concerning scope of practice, and to establish policies concerning  
scope of practice in the area of minor cosmetic procedures; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly is best positioned to understand market  
demand and consumer safety and to establish a policy that balances market  
demand and consumer safety,

NOW THEREFORE,

BE IT PROPOSED BY THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH, WELFARE, AND LABOR OF  
THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

THAT the House Committee on Public Health, Welfare, and Labor study and  
review:

(1) The best practices and policies on minor cosmetic procedures  
from other states;

1           (2) The state laws governing scope of practice, prescriptive  
2 authority, standing orders, and administration of a prescribed substance to  
3 provide clarity on how those state laws apply to minor cosmetic procedures;

4           (3) The role of the boards and commissions in interpreting and  
5 applying the current laws and rules regarding minor cosmetic procedures as  
6 well as any potential conflicts that may exist among the current laws and  
7 rules; and

8           (4) Potential legislation to provide clarity for consumers and  
9 providers of minor cosmetic procedures as well as to balance market demand  
10 with consumer safety.

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